

Nambour Retirement Village Services

17th October	McGowan	11.00AM	Rev Glenn
18th October	Rotary	2.00PM	Rev Glenn

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Service Roster

17th October 2021

Twentieth Sunday

After Pentecost

Minister: Rev Glenn Ingram

Music: The wonderful Nola & Margaret

Readers: Sheila Hodges, Lyn Colley

Prayers: Peter Bowden

Data Projector: Christine Bowden

Sound System: Peter Bowden

Offering: Weekly retiring offering

Welcome: Our great welcoming team

THE BIRTHDAY BOOK

No birthdays this week,
so today, let us celebrate

Toy Camera Day,

Playing Card

Collection Day

and it is also Black Cat

Awareness Month!!



Please remember,
attending worship affirms that you do not
have COVID-19, or symptoms associated
with COVID-19, or awaiting results from a
COVID-19 test, or have been to a designated
'hotspot', or have not been in contact with
any known or suspected cases of COVID-19,
or that you have been in contact with anyone
who has travelled from overseas in the past
14 days. Please be aware that persons aged
70 and over, and people with chronic
medical conditions are at a greater risk of
serious illness by involvement in public
group places. We all must still be attentive to
all guidelines directed by health
professionals as much as we can.



Nambour Uniting Church

9AM Sunday Worship Service

**We are called to be evidence of God's
love breaking into the world**

SUNDAY 17th October 2021

Peacekeeping or Peacemaking

Levon Kardashian

The Merriam-Webster dictionary defines a peacemaker as

“one who makes peace especially by reconciling parties at variance”.

Personally, I have rarely seen proper peacemaking. Most of what

I have experienced could be classified as peacekeeping, which is

**“the preserving of peace especially international enforcement and
supervision of a truce between hostile states or communities”.**

This means that a show of force

will deter conflict between two or more parties.

We see this all the time. Through peacekeeping, the actual reason for the
conflict is rarely resolved. International forces come in to protect the
innocent and keep the peace. After a very short time weaknesses appear
in the international forces and the local militia fighters take advantage
creating yet another war, which they call a 'just war' because in their
view it is against a foreign occupying force. Once the foreign forces
leave the conflict continues.

This example is on a large scale, but it happens on a small scale too.

Anyone who has a sister or brother has experienced it. Two siblings
start to fight until one of the parents enter the room. The fighting stops
so the peace is kept. However, the main issue that started the fight is
(still) not resolved.

Peacemaking, on the other hand attempts to resolve the issue that is
creating the conflict.

Jesus said “Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth;
I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.” (Matthew 10:34).

It seems to me that the understanding of peace “shalom” was of
peacekeeping. The Jews were expecting a Messiah to come with a show
of force and get rid of all the enemies and they could live in peace.

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Attending Ministry

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AFTER 9AM to 2PM

Jimmy 0411 314 306

Nambour Uniting Church

Welcome to our Sunday Worship Service

The Nambour congregation welcomes everyone to worship.

Please thank and welcome back from holidays our attending minister Rev Glenn Ingram and his wife Anne
as we accept all who gather to worship in peace,
with an invitation to pray and reflect in the Prayer Chapel at any time our Church is open.

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But Jesus came as a peacemaker – to address the underlying injustices, the underlying fear, hate and prejudices, to create the things that truly make for peace.

Jesus was an agitator. He was not a pacifier. He was not showing God's might to make people knuckle under and live in peace; otherwise God would throw rocks at them, or they would go to hell.

Jesus knew that no one could bring real peace without bringing justice. For justice to prevail, those who have power will need to share that power with those who do not, and share it equally.

Few people give up power willingly. Demanding justice brings the risks of challenging those who hold power. Power is not only political power. There are those who hold power in our communities. There are those who hold power in our churches. Should I set aside the call for justice and try to live in peace because I should not upset those in power?

Gandhi is credited for starting civil disobedience. I believe Jesus was the first to do it. The church in many parts of the world continues to practice this act of bringing justice to the marginalised. Jesus could not bear the suffering of human beings and no doubt that was motivation for Jesus to disobey the constituted power of his time. Once we address the underlying injustices, the underlying fear, the underlying hate and the underlying prejudices, then we could have peace.

There will be no need for those peacekeepers who, by show of force, bring more injustice than justice to our communities and to the world. Then life together will be something everyone can enjoy.

Levon Kardashian is the Minister at
Logan Central Multicultural Uniting Church



FRONTIER SERVICES GREAT OUTBACK BBQ

The Great Outback BBQ was again a feature at this time of year to support our farming communities and Frontier Services

Thanks goes to Rev George Woodward
for leading our Sunday Worship Service.

The food was great, the social aspect wonderful and the helpers were terrific! Thanks to Woody and Ron for BBQing the food and to all those who helped organise, cater, set-up, clean-up, pack away and more.

Our Church was able to raise \$790

A special thanks to Linda for her organisational abilities,
AND for those ridiculously impossible trivia questions.

Everyone had a great time, so much so,
that some kept hanging around and wouldn't leave.
Funny, but that's how Church should be!!!

Activities in our Church this week;

Sunday 17 Oct	Worship Service 9AM Alcoholics Anonymous 6PM-8PM
Tuesday	Indoor Bowls 9AM-12noon Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM
Wednesday	Nambour Floral Art 8AM-12noon Alcoholics Anonymous 5.30PM-8PM
Thursday	Craft group 9AM-12noon Narcotics Australia 12noon-2PM
Saturday 23rd Oct	Narcotics Australia 6PM-9PM

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